

**Supplementary Material**

**Youth perceptions and concerns about sexually transmissible infections versus pregnancy: a qualitative comparative study in California**

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## Supplemental Table. Selected focus group questions

<b>Concern</b>
Would you say young people are more concerned about getting pregnant or STIs?
Are young people concerned about getting an STI?
<b>Relationships</b>
Tell me about the different types of relationships young people have.
Do you think attitudes about dating and sex are different for young men and women in this community?
<b>Sex education</b>
What did you learn about STIs other than HIV/AIDS in sex ed?
Was homosexual or bisexual behavior discussed? Tell me how it was covered.
What was the message the instructors gave you about having sex?
What was the message the instructors gave you about STIs?
How useful was your sex ed class?
Are there topics that should have been covered in your class, but weren't?
Besides a sex education class, where do young people learn about STIs?
<b>Contraceptive and condom use</b>
What is the most common type of birth control or contraceptive among young women your age? Among young men?
Do most young people use a condom during sex?
What are the main reasons young people use a condom during sex?
What are the main reasons young people do NOT use a condom during sex?
Do young people feel comfortable talking with a partner about using a condom?
Do young people use condoms even if they're also using other birth control like the Pill, the Patch, the Shot?
Are young people more likely to use condoms at certain times or with certain people than others?
<b>Sexually transmitted infections</b>
What do young people think of someone who has an STI?
What do you think a young person typically does if s/he thinks they might have an STI?
What puts young people at risk of STIs?